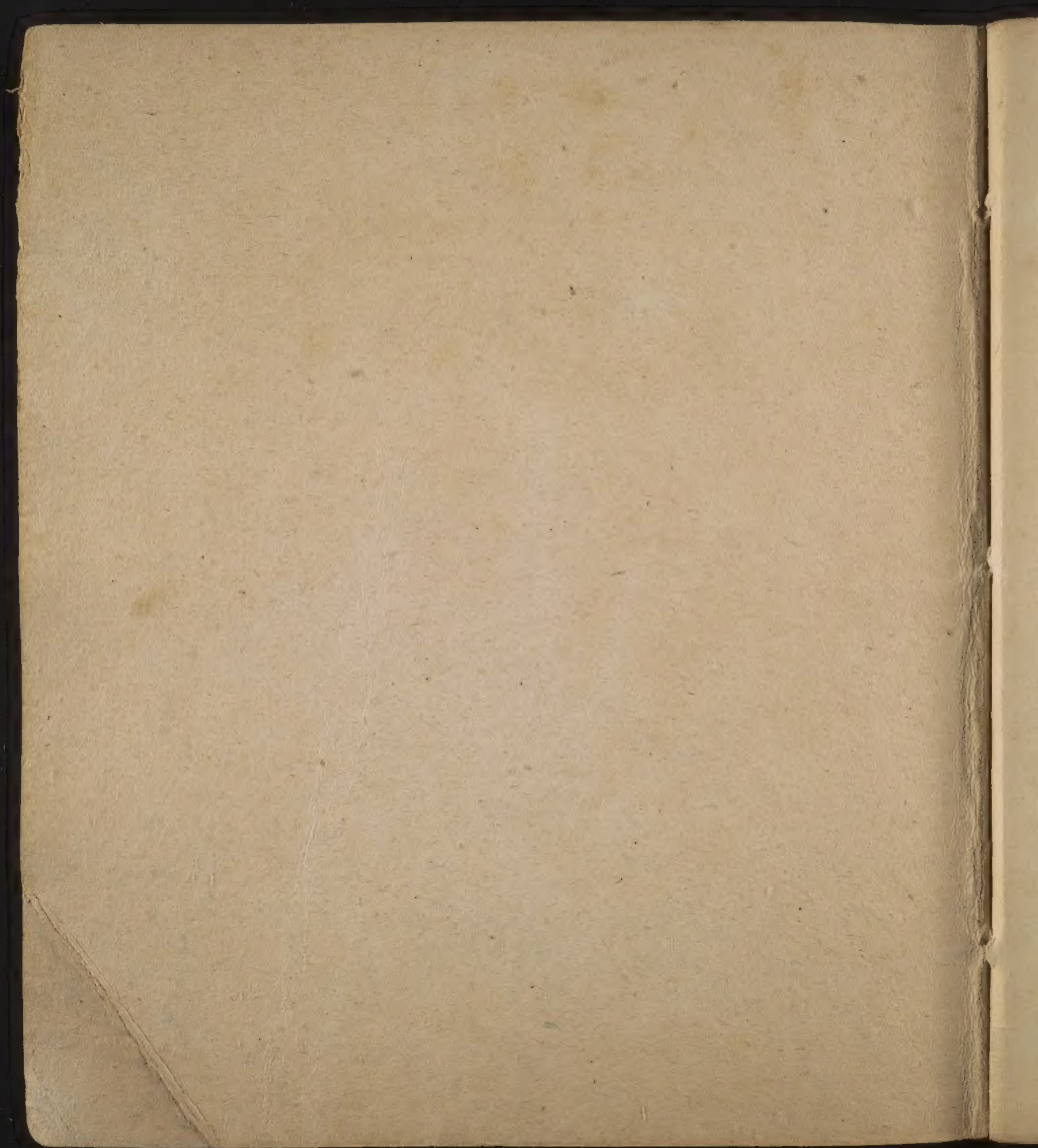


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of Local Diseases
of the black color of the
Africans. — 505

of the proximate cause
of Death 525

✓ But again - The diseases of the same systems differ materially in their degrees.

E.g.: There is a febris & febricula - there is
Rheumatismus & Rheumaticula
Pneumonia & Pneumonicula in the Arter.
Phrenitis & Phrenicula - or acute & chronic Delirium.
System - There is involuntary motion, and
motion ^{in its duration} ~~is~~ contrary only to the will - There
is Dysentery & Dysentericula in the Alimen-
-tary canal - There is Hepatitis acute and
chronica - There is Lues & gonorrhoea in the
lymphatic system & There are the ^{external} ~~interior~~ &
internal Measles - & so on in all the other
Systems. In each of these, the disease is limited
so closely to the system affected, & acts on it
^{not to confine}
so feebly, as to ~~allow~~ ^{not to confine} the patient to his bed.

Lastly - Diseases exist in one part of the
same system, and produce their largest
I have seen Abscess in lungs only ^{& Rheumatism} in much ^{of Rheumatism} Arteritis
only in another. The debility ^{of the system} is
seated in the foot, & yet it appears ^{first} in the

& yet keep within the limits of the
 dominion formerly assigned to them.

3 The Diseases of the Stomach & Bowels
 often exchange situations.

4 The affections of the skin particularly
Sores - and tetters of all kind ~~are~~ ^{frequently}
 appear in different seasons in diff:
 parts of the body. —

5 ~~the~~ most of the diseases of the glands
 are disposed frequently to change their
 places, more especially Dropsies.

The diseases of the two last systems
 which I have described, ~~have~~ afford
 no instances of metastasis such as have
 been mentioned. ✓

with this we finish the general

week. Swollen lungs excite a ^{vomiting} ~~cough~~ ^a ~~series~~
 a weak stomach a cough —
~~ness~~ — and a stone in one kidney has in
 one instance produced pain only in the
 other.

discuss. I have done little more than
 named them. But I have ^{said} ~~discussed~~ ^{said} ~~no~~
 to open a new field of observation to
 your attention. The more you view
^{General} discuss thro' the medium of the systems
 which I have enumerated, the more
 definite & precise will ^{be} your ideas of
 them. Endeavour to find out new
 relationships between them either ^{between} ~~between~~
^{between different systems, or remote} ~~foreign~~
 parts of the same system. One great
 advantage will arise from increasing
 this species of knowledge - it will lead
 to the more certain & successful use
 of many Remedies - for they act as
 certainly on specific systems, as those
 systems act on each other. ~~The~~ From a

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V 5 That the multiplication of Diseases w^{ch}
are the effects of one or at most, of two
original causes ^{resembles} ~~is~~ polytheism in religion.
The physician who considers every different
affection of the different Systems, or ~~diff~~ every
affection of different parts of the same System,
as a distinct disease, resembles the Indian, or
the new negro who considers water - Dew -
Ice - Snow - and frost as distinct species,
while the physician who considers disease
as ^{an excited} ~~a~~ ^{part of} state of the System only; and ^{as} derived from
only one cause, viz: Debility, resembles the
Philosopher who considers ~~ice~~ Dew - ^{water} ice - snow
& frost as different states of water, and ^{only} ~~all~~ as
derived from one cause, ^{viz:} the absence of Heat.
Having finished Gen^l Diseases, I should

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of the ~~force~~ affected, - of the force, or degrees
~~of irregular or morbid~~ action in it - and
the choice of the remedy suited to the system which
afterwards in ~~the~~ exact accommodation
is affixed & in ~~force~~ of that remedy, to
~~that action~~ the degree of morbid action.

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we come now to speak of the
~~causes~~ causes of partial or local dis-

ease. - of a Physician
The first thing which strikes the eye
in contemplating the human ~~body~~ body,
is the variety ^{in the} of color, & features which ~~is~~ is
observable among
the different nations ^{who} inhabit our
globe. This variety must be the effect
of disease, for there can be no doubt
but the whole human race must
have been derived from one pair, &

proceed to treat of their general consequences viz:
disorders. I say general consequences, for there
may be disorder in a part which has not
been preceded by disease or morbid excitement.

There is likewise frequently a mixture of
disease & disorder in the same part as inflamⁿ.
& Suppuration or phirrus in the liver ~~disorder~~
morbid excitement & inflamⁿ. & hemorrhage.

The usual consequences of morbid excitement
or disease are: 1. Infⁿ or effusion ^{& circulation} of red & blue
into various vessels - 2. Hemorrhage ^{or effusion} - 3. Effusion
& stagnation of serum - ~~or~~ Coagulable - and
red Blood - first ends in resolution 2 & 3^d in
Suppuration - all 3 in congestion like gangrene.
4. gangrene - or loss of power of emitting life
from great force of action in any part. These
^{the} are acute effects of disease. Chronic effects are
tubercles - phirri - ^{& tumors of all kind - cancers} ossifications & calcareous
matter - Dropsical swellings - ~~cancers~~ ^{as} many
of them are not preceded by morbid action.

This pair must of course been only
 of one of those colors. — The original
 color it has been supposed was the
 Olive ^{including to the} — all the others are deviations from
 it produced by accidental circumstances
~~to be mentioned hereafter~~ which are
 fully enumerated by Dr Smith in his
 learned & ingenious essay upon this
 subject. ~~The~~ ^{The} four principal causes of
 the variety of color and feature in the
 human body mentioned by Dr Smith
 are 1 Climate - 2 Diet - 3 state of society,
 and 4 Disease. I fully adopt the Dr's
 reasonings upon the physical influ-
 -ence of each of ^{these causes} ~~these~~ on the skin and
 face, and will add further ~~that~~ ^{to} the in



favor of that work, that it has always
 appeared to me to be one of the most
 acute and profound essays that ~~has~~ I
 have ever met with upon a medical
 subject. Perhaps it is the better from the
~~ignorance of~~ ^{any theories of} ~~any theories of~~ ^{medicine,}
~~It was being considered by~~ ^{some one of which perhaps might}
 have misled him from the track ^{wh}
 conducted him with so much success
 & honor to the end of his inquiries.

Ingenious as this work is - it has
 not solved all the difficulties upon
 the subject of the ^{variety of} color & features of
 the human race - Altho it has laid
 a solid foundation for its ^{being} done by
 others. ~~possible~~ ^{variety of} — If the ~~lower~~ ^{lower}

color & features be produced by the ⁴lenses
 which have been mentioned, it has
 been asked why ^{they} do not ~~these~~ disappear
 as soon as the above lenses have ceased
 to operate. This is so far from being
 the case, that a negro retains his color
 for ^a century after being rescued from
 the heat of the sun - from unwholesome
 diet ^{from} - ~~from the diseases~~ ^{from the diseases} and ~~biliousness~~
 which have been supposed to be most
 instrumental in producing his
~~dark~~ black color. - To this remark there
 is a small ^{exception, for} ~~objection~~ - a considerable
 shade of the black color always dis-
 appears ~~under the above change of~~



~~Circumstances~~ in two or three generations, and the features seldom fail of becoming regular in the 3rd generation under the above change of circumstances.

To account then for the duration of a preternatural color in the skin after the causes which induced it cease to operate, I need only remind you of a fact mentioned formerly, & that is that ^{the qualities of} ~~that is a change in the color of the~~ skin are the most transmissible to posterity of any peculiarity of the body, and the least liable to be affected by time or external circumstances. —

✓ as well as in the state of horticulture
- agriculture - building, & cloathing, by
which ~~on~~ the great sources of marsh
& human miasmata were dried up.

But the deep black color ~~and~~ the big
lip ~~and~~ the flat nose - and the wooly
head of the negro, require a specific
 theory to explain them. I shall offer
 one which I hope will be satisfactory.

I formerly took notice of the influence
 of diet, ~~and~~ manners & the state of society
 in producing diseases of the skin, and
 ascribed the decay of Elephantiasis -
 & Leprosy to the change in the diet, and
 employment of mankind by the
 revival of letters & the change in the
 political state of ^{Europe} ~~the world~~ in the
 14th & 15th Centuries & During the prevalence
 of unwholesome diet - & all manner,

probably by a translation ^{of morbid} of and
action, or an effusion of morbid humors in the skin
~~disposition~~ of black bile to the rete
mucosum, for the bile if it is well
known sometimes imparts a black color
to the blood, ^{in bilious fevers,} and also to the whole skin
in these a disease which is known by
the name of the black jaundice. now this

A bilious disease among a people
 who inhabit a hot country, it is
 easy to conceive that a disease may
 have been induced ~~upon the skin~~ which
 we call the Leprosy, ^{by means of a meta-}
~~stasis formerly hinted at,~~ and when once
 produced in a few families might
 have spread over a ^{considerable} part of the
 globe. — To this Leprosy — I ascribe
 the color of the negroes. my reasons

for this opinion are as follow.

The Leprosy is accompanied
 1 ~~It is the~~ ^{with} ~~the~~ ^a black color to ^{of} the skin. of

this I have lately met with a most
 satisfactory proof in Dr. Thuring's
 Account of the diseases of Asia



in Spain. I shall give you a translation of his own words upon this subject. "There are says he above 20 hospitals for lepers in this province - and I have observed six species of the disorder. The 2nd species is called the black Albasas of the Arabians. The skin becomes black - thick - & grisey. There are neither pustules - nor tubercles, nor scales nor any thing out of the way on the skin. The body is not in the least emaciated - The breathing is a little difficult, & the countenance has some fulness in it. They exhale perpetually a peculiar & disagreeable smell, which I can compare to nothing

✓ This small mentioned by Dr Thierry con-
with a small modification
s. truncus in the Native African to this
day.

Mr Harkins takes notice of the
in his travels into the interior part of
Africa. They possess the features of the
negro. Mr Harkins has ^{further} described them
in the following words. "Their hair &c
p. 116 - also 117-118. - This artful imitator
does not stop here - the idea of its being a
disease, and its specific nature did not
escape him - hence he adds - "This
whiteness does not ^{is} marked whiteness of the skin is com-
mon in Java, Panama where it is perpetuated thro' many
generations. ^{a diversity} frequently occurs
changes equally great in the symptoms
of many other diseases. The same state of
malignant bilious fever is often marked
by ^{opposite colors in the} black and white stools - by opposite

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 but the smell of a mortified limb! ✓

Bob Fiske

2 This Theleporosis is described in the
 Old testament as imparting a preternatural
 whiteness to the skin. [This white-

is sometimes in spots, & again it
extends over the whole body. These
thus marked have ^{usually} been called Albinoes. †
~~Head of the bird~~

thus marked have been called *decidua*.
~~the negroes in~~ ^{part of the birds} ~~are~~ ^{colored} ~~with~~ ^{black}
 It sometimes appears ~~marked~~ ^{with black}

~~He sometimes~~
~~often exhibited these phenomena~~
Spots. A picture of a negro in Virginia mentions
- ~~Therese worth~~ in his voyage as
~~passing~~ in whom this mixture of white & black
~~some instances of them.~~ Mr. Peale has
had taken place has been happily preserved by
~~preserved~~ in his museum. The picture

~~of a negro with white spots on his~~

~~lips flat nose be~~

34 The almsouse induces a morbid insensibility in the natives. In countries where the disease is ~~common~~ prevalent it is

temperature of the skin, & by opposite states
of the Alimentary Canal.

The original connection of ^{the} ~~this~~ ^{black} color of the negroes with Leprosy is ^{further} suggested
by the following fact extracted from Mr
Bougainville's Voyage &c

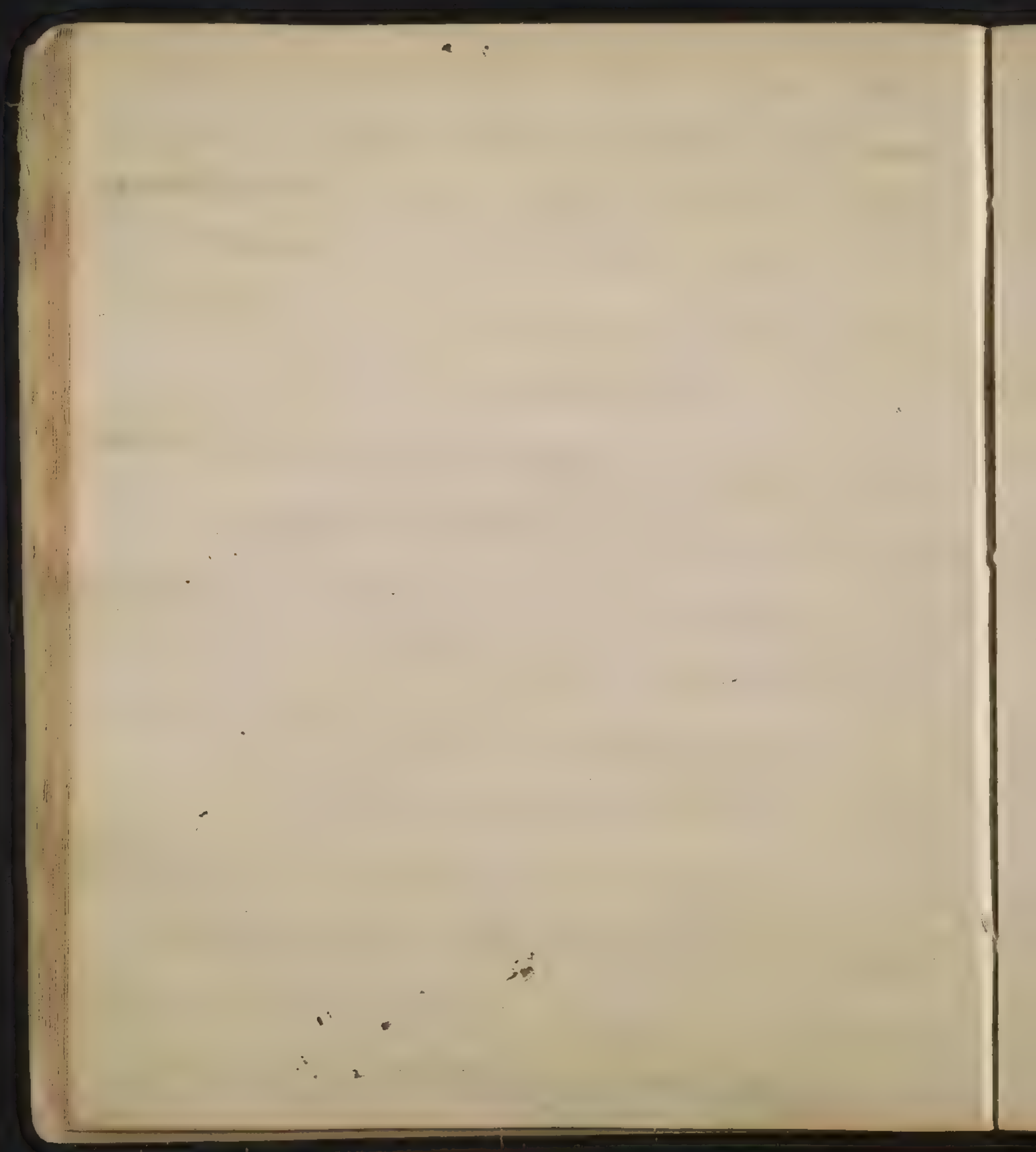
common to say ~~more~~ that a person
 devoid of sensibility has no more
 feeling than a dog. I formerly
 mentioned a fact from De Morely
 of the indifference ^{to} which negroes
 submit to operations in surgery in
 the West Indies. Even in this country
 the negroes have been observed to handle
 fire without an emotion, and to not
 suffering from it like white people.
 Lepers are remarkable for having
 strong venereal ~~diseases~~ diseases. This is
 universal among the negroes. - hence
^{uncommon} their fruitfulness where they are not
 depressed by slavery. Even slavery

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does not subdue the appetite, for
after whole days spent in hard
labor in a hot sun in the West Indies,
we are told the negroes will often
walk five or six miles to ^{comply with} ~~go to~~
a venereal apignation. —

5 The big lips & flat nose ^{are symptoms} ~~belong to the~~
lips of the leprosy. They are taken notice
by all Authors. I have ^{more than} ~~once~~ seen them
in the Penitentiary hospital. —

6 The wooly ^{heads of the negroes} ~~heads of the~~ cannot
be accounted for from climate - diet
state of society, or bilious diseases - for
~~none~~ all those ~~can~~ causes when
combined have not produced ^{it} ~~them~~
in the natives of Asia or for the



who inhabit similar latitudes.

American wool is peculiar to the
negro. ~~See~~ There are many proofs of similarity
of the ~~leprosy~~ symptoms of leprosy, and
of the peculiarities in the negro body
to me - but there is one fact in
the history of the leprosy that may
throw some light upon it. The Tricho-
ma or plica polonica so common
formerly in Poland ~~is~~ was ^{symptom} ~~affairs~~
of leprosy. It affected the hair only,
in a peculiar manner. From this
fact it would seem that the leprosy
had found its way to ^{the covering of the} ~~that part of the~~
head in negroes
~~body~~, & from the variety of its effects
on the skin, it is ^{as} probable it may
have produced a ~~wool~~ wool in

a note

✓ It affects before it appears
as in a family in Madeira.
A lady of a dysentery family married,
- all her children took the disease
at 16 & died. Her husband then
took it & died, & finally the disorder
appeared in herself - of which
she died.

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this case as matted hair in the case of
the Poles.

But how shall we account for the
long duration of this color of the skin
thru so many generations & even
ages? I answer; that the Leprosy
is the most dreadful disease in its
descent to posterity, & the most indestruc-
tible in its nature of any disease we
are acquainted with. Dr. Ferriar
Dr. Ferriar says it often disappears in
two - and appears in the 4th genera-
tion - But 2nd no more happens
here than what happens to many
nations who
~~generations~~ are distinguished by
a peculiarity of figure of any part

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of the body. The ~~ancient~~ ⁵¹⁸ Scotch people
who inhabit the Highlands, have the
same ~~color~~ ^{red} ~~coloured~~ hair & the same
high cheek bones which are ascribed
to their ancestors by Tacitus ~~after the~~
Invasion of Britain. The even the tamen
in the throat in the Celts who inha-
bit the Alps are transmitted from father
to son this a long succession of generations.
Scrophs & consumption in like manner
are hereditary in many families ^{both} and
of which every part of the body much
more liable to change by successive
generations, than the skin.

~~Should it be said~~ ^{no} Should it be
said that ~~the~~ infectious quality exists

V But it is infectious - white
women become dark col? after
sleeping long with black men, more
especially if they have children by
them. Of this I have heard of two
instances, the one in Pennsylv^a -
the other in Maryland.

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in this color of the ⁵¹⁹human negroes, I
answer that this is the case with the
disease at present in many parts
of the world. ^{It has} ~~no~~ to ceased to be common
indicated by contact. V

Should it be said that the negroes
are as healthy & long lived as other
people - I answer - that ~~are~~ no local
diseases of the skin affect ~~the~~ the general
health of the body, or the duration of
human life. Dr. Thuring says that the
itch was very common in Astoria &
speaks with surprise of the longevity ^{the}
of many people who were affected w:
it. In the negroes who live now
in this country, perhaps it w?

✓ The color in the negroes is seated
in the Rete mucosum. —

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be proper rather to consider the black color as an effect of an evanescent disorder. The existence of a solitary symptom of a Disease after the disease is cured is no uncommon thing. ^{many} A dark color often continues ~~at~~ days on the tongue after the cure of bilious fever, & ~~the~~ red marks often appear on the skin many months after the recovery from the small pox.

The theory I have endeavored to establish leads to two very natural reflections. 1 That all the claims of superiority of the Whites over the blacks on acc^t of their color are founded in ignorance & inhumanity. If

✓ equality of mankind.

3^{ly} Is the black color of the negroes a disease,² ~~and are all diseases curable?~~

- then let humanity & science combine their strongest efforts, & endeavour to discover a remedy for it. Nature has lately unfolded a banner upon this subject. ~~I invited us to her~~ ^{begin} ~~Standard~~ She has ~~performed~~ several spontaneous cures of this disease of the skin in several black people in this Country. In a certain Henry Pops who lately travelled thro' this city, and was exhibited as a show for money, the cure was nearly complete. The change from black

the color of the negroes be the effect of a disease, instead of inviting us to tyrannize over them, it should entitle them to a double portion of our humanity, for disease all over the world has always been considered as the signal of compassion. —

2 If the theory I have delivered should teach us, ^{as persons of a different skin,} the necessity of keeping up that ~~dis~~ prejudice ~~separation~~ against a ~~sort of~~ such connections with them as would tend to infect posterity with any portion of their disorder. — This may be done upon the principle I have mentioned without offering any violence to humanity, or calling in question the original descent and natural

to a natural white flesh color began
 about $\frac{5}{4}$ years ago at the ends of his
 fingers, and has extended gradually
 over the greatest part of his body. The
~~proof~~ ^{proof} of ~~the~~ which formerly perforated
 the article in this man has been
 changed into hair. — No change in the
 diet, drinks, dress, employment or
 situation of this man, had taken
 place previously to this change in
 his skin. — But this fact does not
 militate against ^{artificial} attempts to dislodge
 the color in negroes, any more than
 the spontaneous loss of many other
 diseases militate against the use

of medicine in the practice of Physic.

To direct ^{our} inquiries & experiments
upon this subject, I shall throw out
the following facts.

1 In Henry ~~exactly~~ mops, the color was
first discharged from the skin in those places
first on which there was most pressure
from anything, or friction from
labor, as on ^{the trunk of} his body, ~~at~~ ^{the} ~~high~~, and
on his fingers. The destruction of the black
color was probably occasioned by the
absorption of the ^{coloring matter of} rete mucosum, or
perhaps by the rete mucosum itself,
for pressure ^{& friction} it is well known aids
the ^{absorbing} action of the Lymphatics in every

part of the body. — It is from the latter
 & cause, that the palms of the hands
 of negro women who ~~stand~~ spend their
 lives of at a wash-trap are generally
 as fair as the palms of the hands in
 labouring white people. —

2 Depletion ~~has an effect~~ whether
 by ~~bleeding~~ purging, or abstinence has a
 certain effect in lightening the black
 color in negroes. As many facts induce
 me to believe it is used as an alterative med. it would
 be ~~the same~~ ^{very likely} a similar change tho'
 a more temporary nature has often
 been observed in negroes from the
 influence of fear. —

4 Dr Beddoes tells us that he has
 discharged the color in the black

in them produce a large portion of happiness in the world. We shall destroy
One of the arguments in favor of the
~~color~~ enslaving the negroes, for this
color has been supposed by the ignorant
to mark them as objects of ^{the divine} ~~divine~~
~~divine~~ ~~misery~~ ~~from the~~ judgments, of heaven,
~~judgments~~ ~~to~~ ~~mark~~
It by the harsh to qualify them for con-
-stant labor in hot & unwholesome
climates. 2 We shall add greatly to ²/₇
happiness, for however much they pre-
-tend to be satisfied with their color, there
are many proofs of this preferring that
of the white people.

3 We shall under the belief of the
whole human race being descended
from one pair, ~~but~~ more easy, &

brood of negroes by infusing it in
 oxygenated muriatic acid, & leprosy it in
 by the same means in the hand of a
 negro man. see Hawkins: fact p:120

5 ~~A citizen of Phila~~ A citizen
 of Philad^a upon whose veracity I have
 perfect reliance assured me that he had
 once seen the skin of ^{one} the side of the
 cheek inclining to the chin, and of
 that part of the hand in a negro boy
 changed ^{by the juice of unripe peaches} ~~in the same by his eating~~
~~cannibals~~ of which he was very fond
 of eating) falling & resting frequently
 upon those parts of ^{his} the body.

To encourage attempts to cure
 this disease of the skin in negroes, let
 us recollect that we shall by succeeding

universal, and thereby not only add
weight to the Christian revelation, but
remove a material obstacle to the exer-
cise of ^{that} ~~that divine principle~~ ~~the~~ ~~it~~ ~~is~~
universal benevolence which is in-
culcated by it.

V ~~Old age~~ Old age is the effect
of such a decay of or loss of the
sensibility & contractility of the
body, as to render it incapable
of ~~committing~~ receiving & propagating
the motions of life. ~~This~~ such is the
change in this respect induced on
the solids, that ~~they~~ some of them
viz: the arteries are sometimes con-
verted into bone. Excitement & excit?
are both exhausted in old age, and death
from old age is nothing but a general
palsy. I said formerly it began first
in the eyes, & Sphincter of the bladder.

~~completeness of our knowledge~~

I intended to have proceeded in the
^{other cutaneous diseases and of all}
 history of ~~all~~ the proximate causes of
^{that are}
 local diseases, ~~set~~ down in our syllabus,
^{for lecturing}
 but our time, being expired, I ~~was~~ ^{am} unable
 to enter upon them. I have kept back
^{of my} ^{in medicine}
 no one principles from you - and if
 these have been ~~well~~ understood, they
 will enable ^{you} with the help of books to
 account for ~~the~~ all the diseases that are
 omitted in our lectures.

I shall ~~to~~ ^{of} the signs of Diseases
 I spoke fully in the prognosis of fevers.

I shall only ~~select from the~~ ^{inquire into the}
 proximate cause of old age & death.
~~local diseases - those of the mind,~~

~~afterwards, close with an acc^t of~~

~~the proximate of death.~~
 in practice of Physic &c 12. -

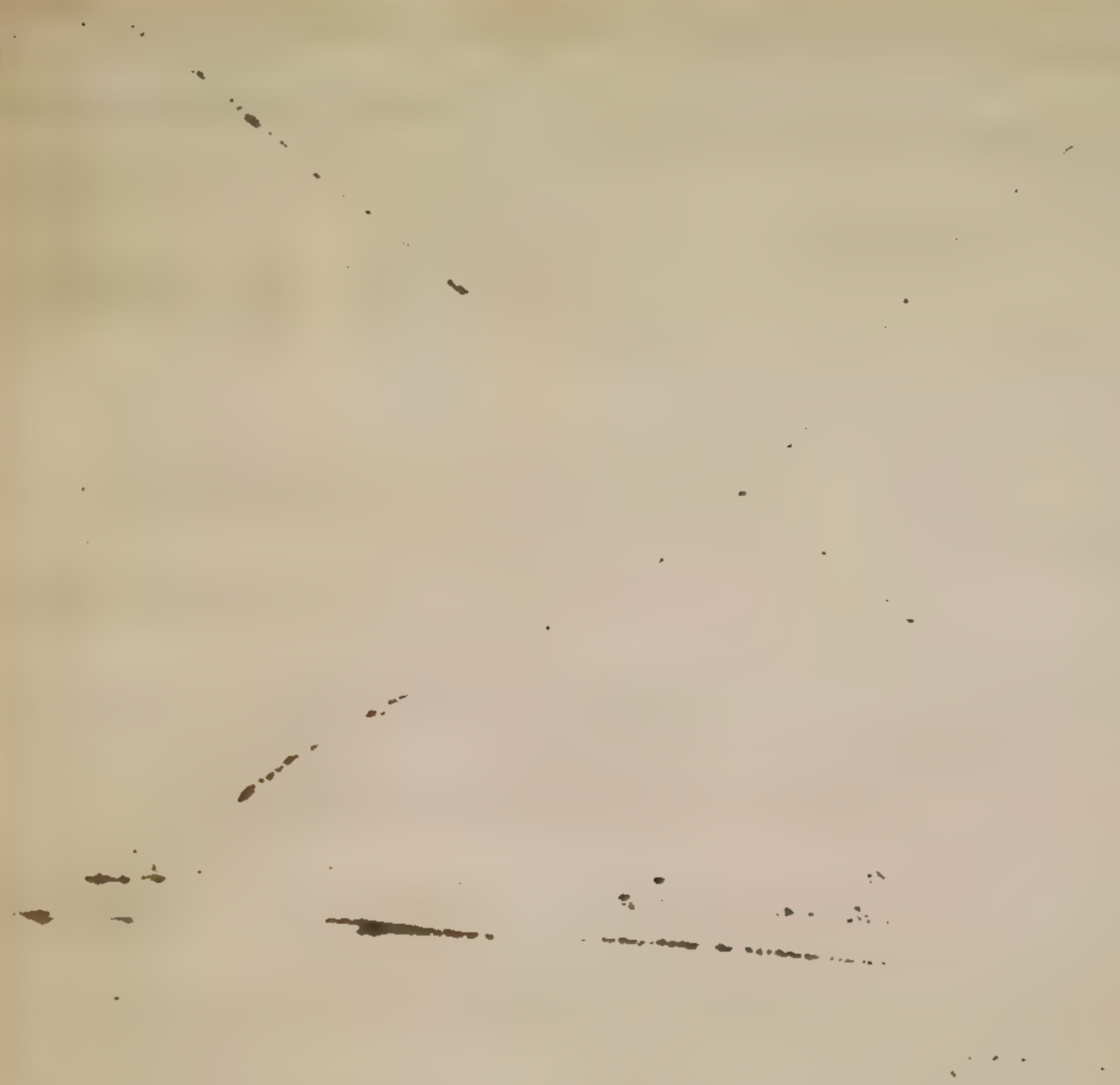
on the cause of Death.

~~we have spent some time~~ ^{some time} in inquir-
 -ing into the history of the body in
 its healthy & morbid states - with a single
 view to cure its diseases, and thereby
 to elude ^{the} premature ^{attacks of} death. But in
 spite of all that our Science or Art can
 do, we are still unable to arrest the
 ravages of this great destroyer, in infancy
 - childhood - youth - and middle life.
 It is true - we have been able to limit
 the number of his conquests ^{by} ~~and~~
 the discovery & use of many valuable
 remedies - and I look forward with
 hope ^{& confidence} ~~and~~ pleasure to the time, when
 the more improved states of science,

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reason & religion, shall either prevent,
or cure all the diseases which now
cloud our skill, and thereby render
death from old age the only outlet
of human life. —

Our first inquiry upon this subject
shall be — what is the final cause of
death? — why has it been made necessary
for our bodies to undergo a dissolution &
mingle again with its parent earth?
— It belongs to the Divines to assign
moral reasons for this catastrophe of
our bodies. It shall only assign a
natural reason for it, — It would seem
that our bodies derived from the Fall
of man the seeds of all the disorders
which now ^{infect &} distress it. They resemble



~~Therefore~~ an old and tottering house
 which cannot be made ^{stronger} ~~usable~~ by any
 repairs. The divine Architect ~~like a wise~~
 builder, takes it down ~~altogether~~ ~~in order~~
 to order to refine & purify its materials,
 and afterwards to rebuild it in a new
 and more durable form. Let us ~~us~~
 cease ^{to} therefore deplore the death of our bodies.
 From this event terrible as it appears
 is the effect of divine wisdom (Goodness).

I have said.
 Life & ~~association~~ ~~with~~ ~~any~~ ~~other~~
~~living~~ ~~breath~~, is the effect of stimuli
 acting upon animal matter. Death
 is therefore nothing but a ^{such} change induced
 by disease or old age ^{on the body}, as to prevent this
 matter emitting the motions of life.
 no more happens to the body by
 death than happens to a Violin

when its strings are too much relaxed - or stretched - or broken. This destruction of the capacity of the body to emit life ^{by} disease is produced by the abstraction of the stimuli which support it, particularly of food by famine, & of blood by hemorrhage. ~~There~~ no more happens here than ^{what occurs in} the abstraction of the bow of a violin, destroying the further emission of sound.

^{Death is produced}
 2 By the excessive force of stimuli of all kinds. no more happens here than occurs from too much pressure on the strings of a violin preventing the emission of a musical note, or from its strings being overstrained.

3 - By ~~the same~~ too much relaxation. - no more occurs here than occurs in the extinction of sound by the total

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relaxation of the strings of the Violin.

4. By an error in the place of certain fluid or solid parts of the body. no more occurs here than would occur from fixing the strings of the Violin on ^{its} body without the support of the bridges which raise it an inch from that body.

5. By ^{the} ~~certain~~ action of certain vitiated fluids upon parts of the body which unit most forcibly the motions of life. no more happens here, than what is produced by ~~fixing a piece~~ ^{involving the} strings of a ^{Violin} ~~piece~~ in a piece of Wax.

6 By wounds & ~~destruction~~ ^{the solution} of solid parts of the body. no more occurs here than when the crucifixion

✓ The convulsions & premature
strength which sometimes precede
death, are the ^{effects of the unequal action} ~~effects~~ of stimuli
^{partial} the remains of the
acting upon ~~partial~~ excitability
of the system.

✓ In short —
✓ no more happens to the body from
the destruction of its consistency & cohesion
than happens to a loadstone which when
broken to pieces ceases to possess the
usual qualities of a magnet.

The ^{formation} dissolution of the body by
death is generally accompanied by

of sound is prevented from a Violin,
by cutting its strings. —

At last, death is produced
By rigidity and even an ossification
of the solids. Death from old Affairs
from this Cause. — The solids ^{here} refuse
to yield to the impressions of stimuli
from within & from without. NO
more happens here that would happen,
if a stick - or a pipe stem were placed
in the room of Cut gut upon the body
of the Violin. —

Death then Gut is nothing but
an inability ^{from a variety of causes} or incapacity ^{to emit} of animal
matter to receive, and preserve the
vibrations &
motions of life. —

Here then we get the human
body — ^{pale} — ~~cold~~ — motionless — ~~pale~~ — cold — and

pain, but there many exceptions
to this remark. This I took notice
of it formerly, and added that I believed
death often came on ^{like sleep} with pleasurable
sensations. The nature & seat of a
disease has a great influence upon
the pain of dying. ^{Death from} Diseases of the
bowels is ~~far~~ ^{more} perhaps the most pain-
-ful than ~~for~~ where it is seated in
any other part of the body. The Marquis
of Mirabeau who died of an inflamⁿ
in his bowels declared that he "felt in
a moment the pangs of a thousand
years". Next in pain is death from
a disease in the ~~bladder~~ ^{kidneys} ~~bladder~~ &
bladder - then the head - ^{last of all} ~~lastly~~ ~~the~~

tending by putrefaction ~~to a liquid~~ ^{with its native}
 earthy matter. — we are soon to

be separated, ~~from each other~~ — never
 probably ^{probably} to meet again — in the exact relation

we sustain to each other upon the
 seats we now occupy in this room.

— not so — the particles of matter
 which compose our bodies. After

lying in the grave till the seeds of
 weakness and disease, are totally destroyed,
 eradicated from them, — they shall again

be united, and every particle which
 composes them shall occupy its former
 place in a new and a ~~more~~ durable

form. — The analogies of this ^{revival &} reunion

of the particles of our bodies are so
 numerous in the works ^{both of} nature

in the lungs & liver. I shall hereafter
in the Prognosis of fever describe the
Symptoms of death, & shall mention
the means of lessening or destroying
its pains Altogether - for this
is an ^{essential} part of a Course of lectures
on ^{the} practice of physic. It has hitherto
been too much neglected,
from a mistaken idea that the
business of a Physician is only
to cure Diseases. His business
is to lessen human misery in all
the forms in which it afflicts the
body of man. I shall only add
here that Death from Old Age
is attended with no pain. It is

I art, that to a candid philosopher
 it would not ~~and some~~ have been deemed a thing
 incredible that God should raise the
 dead, - were the revelation had been
 silent upon the subject. To a Christian,

the prospect of the resurrection of the
 body ^{has never been considered as} ~~is calculated to~~ ^{beget} ~~banish~~ ^{of the strongest pillars of his hope, and}
~~to cherish hope, and to support the~~
 the best comfort in affliction bodily af-
 fliction. - But to the ~~mind~~ ^{of a Physician,}

this prospect of a future reanimation
 is calculated to afford ~~not~~ ^{only} a
 of the body, ~~most~~ ^{afford} ~~double~~ ^a
 double portion of ~~best pleasure~~ ^{very time}
~~the~~ ^{comfort of a Christian} ~~but the~~
~~triumph~~ ^{an amiable & virtuous} ~~patient~~ ^{restored}
~~support of a philosopher~~
 or, crowds of his ~~friends~~ ^{followers} wrested
 from his hands by disease and

death. He considers the triumphs of
 in this case,
 death, as transitory, and ~~the~~ he looks

comes on with the gentleness
of sleep. In a more improved state
of mankind, ~~death~~ for release is
predicted in the scriptures. Death
from old ~~age~~ will be universal,
and of course the pains which
now attend it will be unknown.

are not a
The Signs of death - ~~not coldness~~ cessation
not coldness of the body, not
of pulse - ~~and stiffness~~ nor even putrefac-
tion - ^{taken separately} but a long continued appearance
of all those Signs ^{of death} ~~formed~~ - Haller - de
especially putrefaction.

forward to the joyful morning of the
 resurrection when his departed patients
 and fellow citizens,
 shall awake from the slaps of death,
 pure - healthy - and ^{capable} for ever afterwards
~~incapable of bearing~~ of receiving, and
~~not of an animal~~ an immortal
 retaining the stimuli of life. —

With this we close our lectures
 for the present year. Accept of my
 thanks for the attention with ^{ch} which
 you have honoured them. I ~~have~~
~~only to~~ excuse their deficiencies, &
 ascribe them to the ~~smallty~~ difficulty
 of my subjects. I ~~do not~~ examine
 the new principles & practice I have
 taught you with severity & candor,
~~and if I have been mistaken in any~~
~~thing - convince me of my error~~

Before I conclude such of
I have only to recommend to you
~~as have been~~ ^{as have been} ~~are~~ ^{are} about to take a
~~that to resist~~ ^{that to resist} ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ a
final leave of the University, not to
suffer the ~~burden~~ ^{burden} of practical duties of
your profession to interfere with the
study of medicine. A Physician who gives
over reading when he enters into practice, will
often be less wise at 50, than at 25. It is in
consequence of having observed how much
Practitioners of Physic are disposed to lay aside
their books, that I have sometimes proposed
that Degrees in medicine should be given only
for a limited time, and that ^{they should be} ~~a Physician~~ ^{they should be}
~~renewed~~ ^{renewed} once in ~~five or~~ ^{seven} years
^{upon an examination,}
provided it appeared, that the candidate had
lost no part of the ^{knowledge} ~~months~~ during that period
which entitled him to his first degree.

I regret that the peculiar difficulties
of my ^{new} ~~new~~ ^{professional} ~~professional~~ ^{life} and my professional
engagements have deprived me of the
pleasure of a more frequent private
intercourse with you during the winter.
— I am sure that I should have gained
both entertainment & instruction
from it. I beg you would command
my services at all times. With a
heart overflowing with best wishes
for your prosperity, I bid you an
affectionate farewell.

However unpopular⁵³³ they may be in this city,
~~They~~ I have had great pleasure
in hearing that they have been adop-
-ted in ~~some~~^{several} of the West India Islands,
and in some parts of Great Britain
& Germany. It will be no objection
to them with gentlemen who know
human nature to observe that
they are ~~opposed~~^{not} opposed, for
~~rejected~~ by any Brethren in this
city. ^{these principles} One criterion ~~they possess~~
~~and the~~ of ~~their~~ being true, and
that is, they lead to a more
~~simple, a more summary, &~~
~~a more~~ successful mode of treat-
-ing all diseases ^{than any that has been proposed.} The gentlemen
who oppose them, have been

forced to acknowledge ~~that~~ the
 truth of this remark - but they
 endeavour to open the ^{influence} ~~operation~~
 of it, in favor of our principles,
 by asserting, that ^{from} a strange dis-
 tribution of diseases in our city
 such as are mild & trifling
~~are employed only~~
 only, fall to my share, while
^{all} the difficult and incurable dis-
 eases ^{all} fall to the share of
 my Brethren. You Gent: can
 contradict this ^{assertion} ~~causation~~. You
 have seen ^{the most acute cases of} Pneumony - yellow fever,
 Epilepsy - Dropsy, ~~and~~ Contusion of
 the brain & pulmonary Consumption
 also the most obstinate cases of interm ^{fever}
 all ~~can~~ completely, or nearly
 cured by Remedies, which have

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been the result of principles ^{ch} I
~~I have~~ have ~~you~~ been taught in my
~~taught~~ ~~in these 20 years~~. — ~~very~~

Cuius. As
~~corrupt~~ the corruptions of the modern
 governments have rendered the opinion
 universal, that ^{political} revolutions ~~are~~ necessary
 & inevitable; so the ignorance, errors,

fraud, ~~and~~ imposture & impudence
to murder,

which prevail every where in the Asiatic

have rendered an opinion
medicine, ~~bravely~~ call with equal

nearly as universal, that

nearly as universal, that
~~for~~ ~~reason~~ ~~for~~ a revolution ~~is~~
equally necessary & inevitable

equally necessary & inevitable
the principles & practice of Physic.

arduous
~~whether~~ This business has already
 been
 by ~~is in the hands of~~ a few men

commenced in this city. The billars

of ancient prejudice, have, been shaken,

but whether the great fabric of

error & falsehood shall be overturned,

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and a simple republican ^{of medicine} temple ^{be}
be erected in its room, depends wholly
upon the ^{new} principles & practice which
have been taught ^{here} ~~here~~, being adopted
and supported in other parts of
the United States. ~~There they must~~
~~languish, for a while, for reasons that~~
~~are too obvious to be mentioned.~~

To encourage us to persevere
in this enterprise of humanity,
let us recollect two things. 1st That
^{in acquiring}
industry, & candor ~~in acquiring, &~~
ⁱⁿ
~~have~~ communicating knowledge,
will supply the place of splendid
abilities, and 2^{ly} that ^{the} divine
Supreme Being

in conveying⁵³ new & important
~~providence generally~~
of weak & unworthy instruments
blessings to mankind, frequently
makes use of the weakest, and
most unworthy instruments
for that purpose, in order that
the ^{gratitude} ~~praise~~ & praise ^{due} for these
blessings may be wholly his own.
go back to 532 -
opposite side. -

V Under this gent: I shall introduce
not only an explanation of the causes
of the signs of diseases, but make
such inferences as from them upon
the probable issue of a disease in
life or death ^{as have been the result of my own} & the prognosis in diseases
observations.
is by no means a part of the duty of
a Physician. It ~~was~~ crept into medicine
when the profession of a the Priest, &
the Physician were united together. The

of the signs of disease —

1 as they appear in partial Debility,
direct & indirect.

I need hardly name these signs of debility. They are an inability to perform the motion. I exclude pain in motion or exercise from debility, for pain is always the effect of morbid excitement.

The signs of debility whether direct or indirect are so exactly the same,

that they can only be distinguished ^{its}

by taking into consideration ~~the~~ ^{its} causes — and the habits ^{it} attacks.
~~its stages of the disease~~

when these circumstances are attended to there will be no danger

V Debility ^{the} ~~the greatest~~ ~~debility~~ is by no means
the sign of danger. We see it in the
beginning of ~~many~~ ^{from oppression} diseases in which
the system is strongly impregnated
with excitability. It is sometimes
attended with danger in the close of ^{acute} ~~the~~
diseases. Many people die of debility
after the removal of the disease ^{preceded} ~~which~~, or
created it. It is of consequence to
know this, in order to prevent death
by obviating it. —

+ Having spoken of the connection of
the pulse ^{the} with the Arteries, & ~~then~~ of the seats of
diseases in them, I go on —

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therefore to seek for the signs of health
 and life in them above every other
 part of the body. The ^{pulse} ~~pulse is to the~~
~~blood vessels~~ not only, indicates the
 state of the blood vessels, but from their
 intimate connection of with all the
 other systems, it indicates more or
 less all ^{this} ~~its~~ morbid Affections. In
 short, the pulse is to the body what
 the dial plate & hands are to a watch.
 -It tells us ^{nearly} all that is going forward
 in the body. It is the above all other
 signs ~~the~~ ^{the} barometer - of a measure of disease.
 Physicians have often been
 distinguished by their predilection to
 particular symptoms by which
 they judge of the state of the system.

+ In ^{one} our introductory lectures I mention
the difficulty of relying upon any one
of them. [repeat them]

V It is somewhat surprising that
Hippocrates & Celsus knew and say
so little about it. Galen was the
first Physician among the Ancients
who attended to it. ~~Q~~

~~There are some~~ ⁵⁴¹ ~~these are~~
~~for~~ Some have chosen the ^{tongue,} ~~the~~
 some the respiration, some the
 countenance & some the excretions
 of Urine, feces & sweat. ~~mine~~ ⁺ my
^{mode of practice} ~~system~~ rejects none of these signs,
 but it fixes ^{with} its principal
 attention upon the pulse. ^{my} ~~very~~
^{missile} therefore I hope ~~like the~~
~~you~~ ^{while the} ~~followers of~~
 will be known every where by this
 knowledge & predilection ^{to} of the pulse
 in forming a judgement of diseases.

^{further}
~~The~~ In considering this subject
 I shall mention the facts which
 belong the history of the pulse in
 its natural state. 2 I shall mention

V The pulsations in this natural state
of the pulse in point of frequency, are ~~at~~
equal intervals - soft - open ^{but} ~~or~~ vigorous, and
free from a sense of resistance.

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all its varied states and
3rd Delivers a few directions for the
best manner of discovering these
states by the fingers.

I - The natural state of the pulse
in ^{adults} ~~most people~~ in point of frequency
in middle latitudes is ~~about~~ between
60 and 80. Its medium is 66. $\frac{V}{-}$
~~The force~~ But the following circumstances
as have an influence upon its
frequency, ~~as well as~~ ^{& in many instances upon its force.}

1 Age. It is from 130 to 140 on
the day of the birth of a child. During
its first year it is from 108 to 120.
During the 2nd from 90 to 108. Du-
ring the 3rd year from 80 to 108.

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It continues at 80 to 108 during the
 4th 5th & 6th years of its life. In the 7th year
 it falls ^{from 90 to} to 72. At, and after 12, it is
 the same as in Adults which is
 from 60 to 80. In old age, it be-
 comes slow, and intermitting. This
 is so much the case that a pulse
 perfectly regular in a very old man
 is a sign of a disease. The slowness
 in some cases, descends to 42. 30
 & even 26 in some old people, according
 to Dr Huxley.

2 sex influences the frequency of
 the pulse - It is always quicker in
 women ^{men} than in ~~women~~.

3 Different States of Society, or

+ Dr Douxion Louape a physician lately
from Trinidad informed me ⁱⁿ July 24. 1807 ^{or 1807} ~~last~~
~~Summer~~, that the pulses of the Indians on
that Island, and on the Coast of South America,
were uniformly less frequent, than the pulses
of the white inhabitants of those Countries. In
the former it from 55 to 60 - in the latter from
65 to 68 in a minute.

+ ~~see Mr. Lymmer's reports~~ The same
result took place in the State of Georgia in
a number of exp^s ^{at my request} made ^{by Mr. Lymmer} ^{of this}
^{city} upon the pulses of a number of Indians.
They were it is true higher than 60, but less
frequent than ⁱⁿ the traders who lived among
them - and still less frequent than in the
civilized people who attended the treaty wth
Col. Hawkins ^{found it} at 40 in many ~~cases~~
there. I wish these ^{facts} to be remembered for
he made ^{up} on them. ^{the}
Colney has contradicted it in his view of
a days ~~ago~~ Dr Barton was present at ~~my~~ the
America ^{Dr} examined the pulse of an
~~Indian Chief only, who he~~ ~~whose~~ ~~habit~~ who
lived occasionally among civilized people, &
~~three~~ ~~two~~ ~~times~~ =

of civilization influences the pulse.

It is slow in all savages who ^{want} ~~use~~
~~not~~ the stimulus of th't & labor
to act upon their bodies. ~~But~~ ^{In}

^{in this city}
8 Indians out of 10 in an experiment
~~in 1793 the pulse of 6 students of medicine~~

~~I made a few years ago I found~~
~~the pulse beat 60 but 60 strokes~~
~~in a minute.~~ ^{Indians}

One of the persons
in whom it was more frequent,

had been sitting by a fire, and the

Other I found afterwards was the

Son of a Frenchman, by an

Indian mother. ~~go to~~ ^{writing}

~~Country~~ The inhabitants of

the country whose minds are

V It is quicker in a warm climate
than in a temperate & cold climate, & it
is quicker in new comers in the W Indies
than in old inhabitants, — and in newly
imported, than in old slaves under equal
circumstances of age. Eg: In ^{a white} new comers
in Demerary — the medium pulse of the
[*Cetris puerilis*] pulse in a heat between 90 & 100 is 82 —
In our old Lettles 70 — in a newly arrived
slave 88 — in an old slave 82 — according to
Dr Whistler vol II. p 468.

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but little excited by constant business,
news, and commotion than the
~~inhabitants of large towns, the pulse~~
have slower pulses than the inhabitants
of large cities. — I wish these
experiments could be extended to dif-
ferent nations, & ~~also~~ to all the differ-
ent occupations of men.

4. Size influences the frequency of the
pulse. It is ~~more~~ quicker in short,
than in tall men. In very large men it
has been observed to be but 55. Haller.

5. Climate & season influence the
frequency of the pulse. ~~It is about 100 in the~~
West Indies It is slower
in a ~~the~~ cold climate than a warm
one. In Greenland it is seldom above
40. It is slower in winter, than

~~see Christopher vol. 14 p 668~~

= When at home upon a trial diet. In this
man he says his pulse was as quick as his own,
- This I dare say was true. I perceived the same
thing in several of the Osage Indians who ^{in the year} 1804
visited this city, but it was after they had
had their senses acted upon the new lights & sounds
& smells of our city & ~~their~~ for several days, & their
~~blood vessels~~ excited by ^{an} unusual quantity of cordial
aliments & ~~drinks~~. +
an excited state of the system. This
was

is the case in Mr ^{upon the Indians} Clymers' experiment.
In a ~~case~~ person in whom it was 64 at 7 o'clock 76 mid
71 6 p.m. In another 52.7 at 6 o'clock 65 m. 56 - 6 p.m. midday
In a third 67 7 o'clock 76 mid 72 6 p.m. midday.

+ In this ordinary & natural state, the fact
I believe is uniformly true. I shall say presently
that the exercises of the understanding & of the passions
affect the pulse; now as the understandings of Indians
are ~~ordinarily~~ ~~complex~~ generally in a quiescent or
torpid state from the limited number of subjects
which occupy them, & those subjects only for a
short time, it is no wonder their pulses are slower, or
less active, than the pulses of civilized people.

in summer. It even varies in with the
increase of heat & cold in all the months of the year
6 Different times of the day influ-
ence the frequency of the pulse = ~~is~~

= It is slowest in the morning - increases till mid-
day - Is stationary till 2 o'clock; - when it descends
till 8 o'clock, - then it rises a little. It is again
reduced in sleep; - but rises again in frequency till
two hours before morning, when it again descends
till 7 o'clock. ^{at which hour it is} ~~After which it rises & descends & rises~~
^{from 4} ~~at 7 o'clock~~ It gradually
at its greatest weakness, ^{at 7 o'clock} rises till twelve or midday, & thus performs
the same revolutions every day. I shall hereafter
say these changes in the pulse in the night are
influenced by a difference in the weight in the
Air - as discoverable by the Barometer.

I turn up this paper

~~Mr. Christopher vol. 14 p 668~~

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7 Light has a great influence upon the
the pulse ~~of~~ means and lesions with different
degrees of light and darkness. It is great consequence
to attend to this fact in judging of a disease by
the state of the pulse, and in prescribing for
diseases particularly those of a febrile nature.
Light and darkness are both hurtful & useful
according to the state of the system in which
they are applied. I shall hereafter explain
certain phenomena ascribed to human
actions, chiefly to the effects of light &
darkness upon it.

~~Now, and~~ ^{is a difference of}
according to Dr Haller, there ~~are~~ 15 strokes
between the morning & evening
viz: 65 & 80. In some cases there is a
diminution of frequency at night ~~from~~
It differs as to frequency in the

Sleeping, & waking states. It is much
from absence of the energy or stimulus of the mind &
lowest in sleep. It is from 80 to 90
After waking, but soon falls to 70 & below it.

B. Different positions of the body

affect the frequency of the pulse.

It is slowest when we lie on our
backs - It is quicker when we sit

11⁺ Food and drinks affect the pulse. It is quickened by a full meal, and by distilled & fermented liquors. It is reduced in its frequency by fasting.

10 Different positions of the Arm affects the pulse. It is much reduced in frequency by being uncovered, and by the pressure upon the body upon it in bed, when the patient lies on his side. + see above

Exercise quickens the pulse - a pulse which is 64 in a person while sitting, is 68 when standing, 78 walking at the rate of two miles an hour - 88 when walking four miles an hour - 140 to 150 when running.

15 Pregnancy influences the pulse. It is more active than natural at the as soon as conception

up, and quickest when we are in

an erect posture. —

12 ~~11~~ The exercise of the understanding & of certain
all the passions of the mind affect

the pulse. The stimulating passions

eg anger increases to 104 strokes in a minute.
give impart quickness & force to it.

The simply ~~de~~ sedative passions as

grief, fear &c reduce it in frequency

& force, provided it be felt before

otherwise it is accelerated by stimuli

acting upon ~~accumulated~~ ^{the} excitab^y

which has been accumulated by those

debilitating passions. go to 1. now writing

~~13. conversation quickens the pulse~~

20 ~~14~~ It belongs to the natural history

of the pulse to take notice, that in

sound persons in good health, it is

proterminately slow [Mr] Chipmole

takes place, and this activity is increased at the times
in which the menses ordinarily flow. \S
even in pregnant women as well as others.
A such a pulse is ~~marked~~ indicates a
high fever at 60.

\S In the Rev^d Mr Clayton of Liverpool
it was at 100 - until he had a severe
fever - after ^{which} it was between
60 & 70. Dr Whyt mentions a person in whom
it was 120 in its natural state. In a fever in this
person it was 180 when lying down & 220 when sitting.
It is further ascertained with difficulty in
very fat people from fat compressing, or
burying the artery.

(a) : a kind provision of the author of nature!
- we see external diseases, but internal ones
are concealed from us.

16 \S Treatment such: in fluence the state of
the pulse - as opium - Bark - Blisters - the
last according to parts to which they are applied.
see Boerhaave. Vol 2 p 22. 17 a cough 18
bark over to 07 549

I have read of its total about 548 & with good health
but 407 In others it is preternaturally
quick [1000] ⁺ In some the
artery, we commonly feel, runs
above the Radius parallel with the
Thumb. It is of consequence to know
~~the number~~ these variations from nature, when
they occur in our habitual patients.
- Indeed a great advantage would
arise from knowing the exact
state ^{the pulse} of every patient we attend
in its ordinary & healthy state.

II. we come next to inquire into
the morbid states of the pulse. ~~But~~
~~we 548~~
It departs from order and health,
1 In frequency, and quickness. By
frequency is meant the number of

+ This subject ~~does~~ in another place; at present
 I shall only ^{repeat} remark that the sympathy
~~with~~ between the pulse & diseased parts is
~~not~~ not with exact spot-diseased, but with
 the parts contiguous to it. In inflamⁿ: ~~for~~
 I shall say hereafter the ~~normal~~ circulation is
slower than in healthy parts. It was ~~was~~ ^{was} ~~was~~
 altogether in some cases. ~~This~~ This has been
 observed by a microscope. The increased action
 is a targo, or lag behind the inflamed part, & it is
 this action which produces corresponding ^{morbid} actions
 in the radial artery. The absence of it produces
 what has been called ^{or rather} ~~pale~~ inflamⁿ: - It is ab-
 sent in all those cases in which we find signs
 of inflamⁿ after death, without previous fever,
 or morbid action in the pulse. -

Let not the exceptions that have ^{been} ~~not~~
 mentioned to the Union in the pulsations
 of the arteries call in question the advantages

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